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**"AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPALITIES AND PRESCRIPTION  
DRUG PLANS."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (m) of section 5-259 of the 2010 supplement to  
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
5 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (m) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the  
7 Comptroller shall begin procedures to convert the group  
8 hospitalization and medical and surgical insurance plans set forth in  
9 subsection (a) of this section, including any prescription drug plan  
10 offered in connection with or in addition to such insurance plans, to  
11 self-insured plans, [for benefit periods beginning on or after July 1,  
12 2010,] except that any dental plan offered in connection with or in  
13 addition to such self-insured plans may be fully insured.

14 (2) The Comptroller may enter into contracts with third-party  
15 administrators to provide administrative services only for the self-  
16 insured plans set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection. Any such  
17 third-party administrator shall be required under such contract to  
18 charge such third-party administrator's lowest available rate for such  
19 services.

20 (3) (A) (i) The Comptroller shall offer nonstate public employers the  
21 option to purchase prescription drugs for their employees, employees'  
22 dependents and retirees under the purchasing authority of the state  
23 pursuant to section 1 of public act 09-206, subject to the provisions of  
24 subparagraph (E) of this subdivision.

25 (ii) For purposes of this subdivision, "nonstate public employer"  
26 means (I) a municipality or other political subdivision of the state,  
27 including a board of education, quasi-public agency or public library,  
28 as defined in section 11-24a, or (II) the Teachers' Retirement Board.

29 (B) The Comptroller shall establish procedures to determine (i) the  
30 eligibility requirements for, (ii) the enrollment procedures for, (iii) the  
31 duration of, (iv) requirements regarding payment for, and (v) the  
32 procedures for withdrawal from and termination of, the purchasing of  
33 prescription drugs for nonstate public employers under subparagraph  
34 (A) of this subdivision.

35 (C) The Comptroller may offer to nonstate public employers that  
36 choose to purchase prescription drugs pursuant to subparagraph (A)  
37 of this subdivision the option to purchase stop loss coverage from an  
38 insurer at a rate negotiated by the Comptroller.

39 (D) Two or more nonstate public employers may join together for  
40 the purpose of purchasing prescription drugs for their employees,  
41 employees' dependents and retirees. Such arrangement shall not  
42 constitute a multiple employer welfare arrangement, as defined in  
43 Section 3 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as  
44 amended from time to time.

45       (E) (i) The Comptroller shall offer nonstate public employers the  
46       option to purchase prescription drugs through the plan set forth in the  
47       State Employees' Bargaining Agent Coalition's collective bargaining  
48       agreement with the state only if said coalition has indicated in writing  
49       to the Comptroller that allowing such nonstate public employers such  
50       option is consistent with said coalition's collective bargaining  
51       agreement.

52       (ii) Such writing shall not be required if the Comptroller establishes  
53       a separate prescription drugs purchasing plan for nonstate public  
54       employers."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	5-259(m)